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## **Correction to Media Reports Issued Regarding Ambassador Morningstar's Trip to Nakhchivan**

“Over the last few days, some local media outlets have reported that Ambassador Morningstar praised the development of democracy in Nakhchivan during his October 31-November 1 visit to the region. The Ambassador did not make such comments to anyone, and any reports claiming that he did so are not true.

Ambassador Morningstar met with a wide range of leading governmental and non-governmental figures during his visit, including human rights activist Malahat Nasibova, whose office he visited in a show of support, and whose important work he praised during his public comments. Ambassador Morningstar also called publicly and privately for an open dialogue between local authorities and human rights defenders such as Ms. Nasibova.”